

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE
LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE
PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF APRIL, 1890.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 30th day of April, 1890; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1890,	168,399		Rents Fixed—		
Applications received in month of April, 1890,	521		By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1890,	2,849	
			" in month of April, 1890,	111	2,960
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st March, 1890,	7,773	168,920	By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1890,	120,949	
Do. in month of April, 1890,	27		" in month of April, 1890,	736	121,685
		7,800	Dismissed and struck out—		
Applications by Lessholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1890,	27,696		By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1890,	1,920	
Applications received in month of April, 1890,	60		" in month of April, 1890,	3	1,923
		27,756	By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1890,	30,585	
Applications by Lessholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st March, 1890,	1,107		" in month of April, 1890,	206	30,791
Do. in month of April, 1890,	6		Withdrawn*—		
		1,113	By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1890,	4,366	
			" in month of April, 1890,	16	4,382
			By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1890,	8,010	
			" in month of April, 1890,	34	8,044
Total,	—	204,989	Total disposed of,	—	169,785

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st March, 1890,	108,962
Do., do. in month of April, 1890,	438
Total,	109,399

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to 31st March, 1890, .	1,740
Applications received to 31st March, 1890,	1,064		„ in month of April, 1890, .	81
Applications received in month of April, 1890, . .	10	1,074		
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st March, 1890, Do. in month of April, 1890,	27			
	—	27		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 31st March, 1890, . . .	933			
Applications in month of April, 1890,	5	938		
	—	2,039	Total disposed of, . . .	1,771

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID (“LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,”—SEC. 2.)—FORM 50.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888, †	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st March, 1890,	20	
		„ in month of Apr., 1890, . . .	—	29
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1890,	17	
		„ in month of Apr., 1890, . . .	—	17
		Applications withdrawn or compro- mised to 31st March, 1890,	3	
		„ in month of Apr., 1890, . . .	—	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	49

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF “LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887.”—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st March, 1890,	8	Applications granted to 31st March, 1890,	—	
„ in month of Apr., 1890,	1	„ in month of Apr., 1890, . . .	—	
„ Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st Mar., 1890,	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Mar., 1890,	—	
„ in month of Apr., 1890,	—	„ in month of Apr., 1890, . . .	—	
		Applications withdrawn to 31st March, 1890,	—	
		„ in month of Apr., 1890, . . .	—	
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	—

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886.

Applications received to 31st Mar., 1890,	2,917	Rents fixed to 31st March, 1890, .	2,143	2,157
" in April, 1890,	16	" in April, 1890,	14	
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st March, 1890,	192	196
		" in April, 1890,	8	
Total,	2,933	Total disposed of	—	2,352

VI.—APPEALS re FAIR RENT, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st March, 1890,	33,886	Number heard to 31st Mar., 1890, .	12,665	12,869
" in month of April, 1890, .	214	" in month of April, 1890, .	* 304	
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st Mar., 1890,	† 1,076	801
		" in month of April, 1890, .	—	
		Defect cases reinstated to 30th April, 1890,	1,076	13,382
		" in month of April, 1890, .	275	
		Number withdrawn to 31st Mar., 1890,	13,144	27,052
		" in month of April, 1890, .	258	
		Total Number disposed of,	—	7,048
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . .	—	34,100
Total,	34,100	Total,	—	34,100

* The full number of Appeals decided by Court in April, 1890.

† In 445 cases the notices were struck out because maps were not lodged, as required by Rule 14, and in 431 cases because the notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 65 cases, and of the latter 218 cases, were reinstated.

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st March, 1890,	21,774	£ 8,708,808
" in April, 1890,	253	127,377
	22,027	8,835,783
Loans sanctioned to 31st March, 1890,	16,295	6,845,038
" in April, 1890,	351	163,073
	16,646	7,006,711
Loans issued to 31st March, 1890,	12,199	5,123,472
" in April, 1890,	446	150,306
	12,645	5,273,768

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF APRIL, 1890.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th day of April, 1890.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1890,	23,450		Rents fixed to 31st March, 1890,	11,817	
Applications received in month of April, 1890,	77		" in month of April, 1890,	102	
		23,527			11,919
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st March, 1890,	3,208		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1890,	2,428	
Applications received in month of April, 1890,	17		" in month of April, 1890,	9	
		3,225			2,437
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 31st March, 1890,	1,561		Applications withdrawn* to 31st March, 1890,	269	
Applications received in month of April, 1890,	30		" in month of April, 1890,	—	
		1,611			269
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1890,	5,588	
			" in month of April, 1890,	33	
					5,621
Total,	—	28,423	Total disposed of,	—	23,245

(b) *Out of Court.*

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st March, 1890,	6,873
Do., do. in month of April, 1890,	63
Total,	6,935

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to 31st March, 1890,	150	
Applications received to 31st March, 1890,	336		" in month of April, 1890,	—	
Applications received in month of April, 1890,	1				150
		367	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1890,	27	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 81), received to 31st March, 1890,	3		Transferred in month of April, 1890,	—	
Applications received in month of April, 1890,	—				27
		3			
Total,	—	390	Total disposed of,	—	186

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1890,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st March, 1890,	—	
		" in month of April, 1890,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1890,	3	
		" in month of April, 1890,	—	3
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st Mar., 1890,	—	
		" in month of April, 1890,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Mar., 1890,	—	
		" in month of April, 1890,	—	
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	—	3

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1890.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 3 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st March, 1890,	16	Applications granted to 31st March, 1890,	—	
" in month of April, 1890,	—	" in month of April, 1890,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Mar., 1890,	1	
		" in month of April, 1890,	—	1
		Applications withdrawn to 31st March, 1890,	—	
		" in month of April, 1890,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Mar., 1890,	3	
		" in month of April, 1890,	—	
Total,	16	Total disposed of,	—	4

Irish Land Commission, }
19th May, 1890. }

JOHN H. FRANKS.